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# **MINUTES** OF THE UTAH RADIATION CONTROL BOARD **January 13, 2015**

Department of Environmental Quality Multi Agency State Office Building Conference Room 1015, 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Peter Jenkins, CHP, Ph.D. Scott Bird Richard Codell, Ph.D Ulrich Rassner, MD Matt Rydalch Commissioner Jerry Hurst Brady Bradford (Via Phone) Lindsey Christensen Nesbitt, Ph.D. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary

# BOARD MEMBERS

Amanda Smith, Executive Director DEQ

## DRC STAFF/OTHER DEO MEMBERS **PRESENT**

Craig Jones, DRC Section Manager John Hultquist, DRC Section Manager Laura Lockhart, AG Staff Spencer Wickham, DRC Staff Scott Anderson, DSHW Director Arlene Lovato, DSHW Staff Lisa Mechem, DRC Staff Charlie Bishop, DRC Staff

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Vern Rogers, EnergySolutions Gary Guelker, Janet & Guelker

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#### I. Welcome

Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. He welcomed the Board Members and the public.

II. Approval of the Minutes from the January 13, 2015 Board Meeting

Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman, asked if any members of the Board had any corrections to the minutes for the January 13, 2015 Board Meeting. None were requested.

MOTION MADE BY MR. SCOTT BIRD TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2015.

SECONDED BY DR. RICHARD CODELL.

#### MOTION CARRIED AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. Indoor Radon – Ms. Eleanor Divver showed the Board a short clip on Radon and informed the Board of the Radon Action Month / public outreach efforts and awareness, as January is Radon Action Month. She also mentioned the winners for the 2014 Radon Poster Contest, who would receive an award from the Governor later in January 2015.

## IV. Administrative Rulemaking

- a. Comments Received:
  - i. Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, informed the Board of the comments received from EnergySolutions for R313-19 and R313-37. These rule changes institute and adopt federal requirements regarding protection of Category 1 and Category 2 sources of Radioactive material. The comment period was to end by December 1, 2014, but due to a petition of rulemaking that was submitted to NRC by the Nuclear Energy Institute regarding 10 CFR 37, the comment period was extended to January 9, 2015. Comments were received from the University of Utah, Intermountain Health Care, and EnergySolutions, which have been provided to the Board to review for rulemaking.
- b. Approve for Rulemaking and Public Comment:
- i. Mr. Spencer Wickham reviewed proposed changes to R313-15 and R313-38-3 in response to NRC requested changes to what was approved by the Board in the November 2014 Board meeting and sent out for public comment period. During the Public comment period, the NRC submitted a letter regarding the proposed changes and raised compatibility issues pertaining to substitutions and citations that existed in R313-15 and R313-38 that still needed to be addressed. Mr. Spencer Wickham, asked the Board to accept the Director's Recommendation to approve the filing of the proposed rules. Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, further explained to resolve the NRC comments; changes to the proposed rules are required to meet the compatibility requirements for agreement states. Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman, raised some questions about accepting rules

by reference and the role of the Division of Administrative Rules. Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, further clarified the intent for rulemaking. Additional comments were made by Dr. Lindsey Nesbitt and Dr. Ulrich Rassner in regards to Federal requirements and NRC guidelines.

MOTION MADE BY MR. SCOTT BIRD TO ACCEPT THE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION AND TO INITIATE RULEMAKING BY APPROVING THE FILING OF THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGES TO R313-15-1208 AND R313-38-3 WITH THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES. .

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JERRY HURST.

MOTION CARRIED AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **V. Information Items**

- a. Uranium Recovery Sites
- i. Energy Fuels Resources / White Mesa Mill Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, gave a status update and informed the Board of the comment period that had begun for the proposed Corrective Action Plan for on-site Chloroform Plume. The public comment period will end on February 13, 2015 and a public hearing is also being held in Blanding on February 11, 2015, giving the public and opportunity to comment on the corrective action plan.
- b. **2014 4**<sup>th</sup> **Quarter Activities Report** Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, informed the Board of the activities report that was included in the Board packet for the Board to review and stay informed of the Division's accomplishments of the Regulated community. Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman, asked for further explanation on the notices of violation and incoming shipments, Mr. Rusty Lundberg, further clarified the information in the activities report.
- c. **2015 Legislature** Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, informed the Board of the bill H.B. 78 sponsored by Representative Brad Dee that further clarifies Generator Site Permits. Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman, expressed his concerns about the proposed comments and reasoning behind the Board's decision in the rulemaking. Mr. Rusty Lundberg, Executive Secretary, also informed the Board of a Bill that is being discussed and will be presented in the 2015 Legislative session in February about the consolidation of the divisions of Radiation Control and Solid and Hazard Waste. Dr. Peter Jenkins and Dr. Ulrich Rassner expressed their concerns.
- d. **Online Availability of DRC documents** Mr. John Hultquist, informed the Board of the availability of documents online for all agencies in the Department of Environmental Quality for public access. The Utah Division of Radiation Control expects to have this service available in February.
- VI. Election of Chair and Vice Chair Dr. Peter Jenkins and Mr. Scott Bird were reelected by the Board to serve on the Radiation Control Board. Motion was made by Mr. Matt

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Rydalch to retain Dr. Peter Jenkins as Chairman and Mr. Scott Bird as Vice Chairman Second by Mr. Brady Bradford. Motion Carried and Passed Unanimously.

VII. **Recognition of Commissioner Jerry Hurst -** Dr. Peter Jenkins, Chairman presented an award and recognized Commissioner Jerry Hurst for his outstanding service and contribution to the Utah Radiation Control Board.

#### VIII. Public Comment

No comment was received.

## IX. Next Scheduled Board Meeting:

# Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 1:00 p.m.

Multi Agency State Office Building, Board Conference Room #1015 195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, Utah

Meeting Adjourned 2:00 PM

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